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Midway Fort Occupants

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<p> John Faucett Sr. Jacob Burgener Sr. John Buhler Jacob Buhler C. Schoney Ulrich Abbegglen Conrad Abbegglen Richard Shirlock Peter Abplanalp Simon Schneitter Casper Sulser Peter Galli Christian Abbegglen Norton Jacobs William Coleman E. VanWagoner John Moser John Davis Charles Lowe John Halfeltz George Bonner Sr. Henry Coleman Sr. George Wilson William Wilson John Lowe Jesse McCarroll D Zufelt James Gurr Harvey Meeks Charles Gurnay Abigail Shelton John O'Neil James Jackson George Wardle William Bagley Natnaniel Riggs Attewall Wootton Joseph Forbes Mark Smith David Wood Hyrum Oaks Martin Oaks H. Horsely Moroni McClney David, James and Andrew Hamilton James and David Provost John VanWagoner Sr. Ephraim VanWagoner David VanWagoner John Watkins Alva and Ephraim Hanks </p>			

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Ira Jacobs
Washington Clift
Moroni Blood
John Huber
John Wintsch
George Dabbling
Dr. John Gerber
Lucien Jacobs
William Meeks
Robert Cunningham
John Morton
E. Bates
William Beeler

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way was soon laid out with a public square in the center and ample city blocks surrounding the square.

Then began the work of "forting in." Around the central square some 75 primitive dirt-roofed log cabins sprang into existence, some abutting against each other, while between others were erected strong panels of upright posts. In this manner an impregnable wall was formed around the square. Small windows were provided at strategic points to serve as portholes in case of attack. Life in the new fort-string was conducted under military law, with officers and picket patrols acting at the call of the bugler, John Watkins.

Fort Midway brought to the people a sense of well provided security, and by bringing them close together helped develop a new happiness and community spirit. Fortunately, the fort was never attacked, though the settlers were ready to defend their lives and homes at any time. The fact that the fort was not molested speaks highly of the ability of the pioneers to cooperate in community projects.

The first 75 families in the old fort and their locations are as follows:

From the southwest to the northwest corner: Sidney H. Epperson, Jeremiah Robey, J. A. Robey, Simon Higgenbotham, George Snyder, Thomas Ritter, Edwin Bronson, Samuel Thompson, Ira Jacobs, Washington Clift, Moroni Blood, John Huber, John Wintsch, George Dabling,

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Wm Henry Bagley
helped sick
guard &
lived in Fort String

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EZEKIAL BATES

Lived in the Fort String. Unable to get his history. A family of Bates lived in Midway. Hyrum Bates built and lived in the house later owned by George A. Huntington. We were unable to connect Ezekial Bates with the Bates people now living in Wasatch County.